



Thank you for your interest in the Helicopter Association of Canada.

We are very pleased that you are considering membership and would refer you to our website [www.h-a-c.ca](http://www.h-a-c.ca) for the latest information on the issues and activities concerning our membership and the Canadian helicopter industry. HAC was created by members of the helicopter industry in 1994 and today it is still the only Canadian Association dedicated to the interests of the Helicopter industry. The Objectives of the association are set out in our Letters Patent at: [http://www.h-a-c.ca/HAC-Letters\\_Patent-January\\_9th\\_1995.pdf](http://www.h-a-c.ca/HAC-Letters_Patent-January_9th_1995.pdf)

Roughly 80% of the civil helicopters in Canada today are operated by HAC members. As you may know, Canada boasts the world's second largest fleet of civil helicopters. Our Canadian industry continues to flourish in one of the most heavily-regulated modes of transportation, owing to the dedication of its members and the advocacy of HAC. Associate dues help support our advocacy efforts and ensure that our industry continues to grow. Our Associate members benefit from advice directly through the association's President and CEO; a lawyer with over 20 years of regulatory experience in Ottawa and a long-standing strong working relationship with Transport Canada, the CTA, Parliamentarians, NAV CANADA and other industry players, assisting your navigation through the maze of regulations and bureaucracy in our Nation's Capital or in the Regions. Our HAC office is only a couple of blocks from the Hill and Transport Canada for good reasons. HAC Associates also provides a communications link with the Association including all the breaking news and Committee information that is provided to Operator Members including a steady stream of Newsletters and Communiqués.

HAC Associates are linked to the industry itself through the HAC public web site; receive preferential treatment when reserving space at the HAC Annual Trade Show and their personnel are admitted to the Annual Convention & Trade Show for a substantially reduced registration fee. Exhibitors receive two complimentary individual registrations. HAC members are eligible for reduced individual registration rates whether they exhibit or not. HAC's trade show is the largest aviation trade show in Canada and it regularly sells-out weeks in advance. Our Annual Convention and Trade Show is scheduled in November. Visit our [convention page](#) for details.

Associates are eligible to participate on any of our nine committees and three sub-committees which reflect the diversity of Canadian helicopter operations ([http://www.h-a-c.ca/committee\\_contacts.html](http://www.h-a-c.ca/committee_contacts.html)). Associates have unrestricted access to our Members-Only web-site, where our Committees do their business and exchange ideas on the current issues of the day. There is no better way to stay on the leading edge of developments in the Canadian helicopter community. Your ability to communicate with your customers and prospective customers by operation-type is facilitated by our committee website structure since each committee has automated email distribution for all committee members and the ability to contact

any individual committee members, or the whole group - post a Discussion Item, a Document or Photos to a particular Committee site when you contribute to the Committee's deliberations.

HAC [Associate manual application](#) is available and we also offer [Associate on-line application](#).

Please feel free to contact Mr. Fred Jones, President & CEO should you have questions. Mr. Jones can be reached directly by email at [fred.jones@h-a-c.ca](mailto:fred.jones@h-a-c.ca) or by telephone (613) 231-1110 extension 239, or just about anytime on his cell at (613) 884-1422.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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